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1. On 1 March 1953, 4 x 37-mm AA guns, about 12 trucks, 25X1
and a truck and 25 trucks
and loaded with ammunition boxes and heavy machine guns were entrained
at the Bernau railroad station between 6:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.
 the materiel belonged to two units.
2. On 24 February, 12 x 37-mm AA guns and an undetermined number of personnel 25X1
and vehicles,
 were detrained in Eberswalde.
3. On 3 March, 18 x 37-mm AA guns and trucks 25X1
 came from Schoenwalde, were entrained
in Veltens.
4. On 1 March, about 30 soldiers with artillery insignia, carrying baggage, 25X1
arrived at the barracks installation on Kloster Strasse on Strausberg
Lake. a new course had begun there. 25X1
5. On 5 March, the following column was seen en route toward the west at the
road bridge in Magdeburg-Nord between 2 p.m. and 2:45 p.m.; about 85 trucks,
1 armored scout car, 12 light AA guns, 3 x 76-mm field guns, 12 x 57-mm AT
guns, 3 x 120-mm mortars, 5 field kitchens, 1 ambulance, 1 tank truck and
several radio trucks 25X1
6. Loadings observed at the Potsdam freight station on 3 March included:
a troop unit at 8:30 a.m.; and 30 to 40 trucks 25X1
11:30 a.m. At about 11:45 a.m., 10 prime movers towing guns,
 were 122-mm guns, and 4 trucks were seen en route toward the freight
station. On 4 March, the Kavallerie Schule in Kranpitz was occupied
to capacity. On 4 March, the barracks installations in Nedlitz were
partially lighted. Twelve trucks, 25X1
 were seen en route from Potsdam toward
Fahrland.

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7. Troop trains passing through Stendal, coming from the direction of Wittenberge and proceeding toward Magdeburg or Berlin included: a train of about 25 cars, including 12 flatcars with sideracks carrying tanks, and 3 boxcars occupied by troops, on 4 March; 2 trains during the night of 4 March; and 3 trains occupied by VP with tanks, on 6 March. Motor vehicles seen at the Stendal railroad station

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1. Comment. Probably units of the 120th (?) AAA Regt of the 6th Gds Mecz Div which, [redacted] went to Jueterbog [redacted] probably for firing practice. 25X1
2. Comment. This train has not been indicated in reports on transportation. It probably carried AAA units of the 63d AAA Div (US), which returned from advanced combat practice firing. The motor vehicle [redacted] belong to various units of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army. 25X1
3. Comment. The entrained unit belonged to the 31st AAA Div and, [redacted] went to Altengrabow [redacted] 25X1
4. Comment. It is possible that a new course began in early March at the Artillerie Schule in the barracks installation on Strausberg Lake. 25X1
5. Comment. According to motor vehicle [redacted] the units probably belonged to the 19th Gds Mecz Div stationed in the Herrenkrug Kaserne and Anger Kaserne. Other elements had left the installation in late February, probably for short-term exercises. The units mentioned in paragraph 5 may have gone to the Letzling Heath training area for short advanced combat practice firing. 25X1
6. Comment. [redacted] the departure of elements of the 34th Arty Div (US) to Genthau. [redacted] This accounts for the fact that the barracks installations in Nedlitz were only partially lighted on 4 March. 25X1
7. Comment. After the return of elements of the 10th Gds Tank Div from exercises on 21 and 22 February, the Kavallerie Schule, in early March, can again be carried as occupied to capacity. [redacted] 25X1
8. Comment. [redacted] 25X1

The majority of the vehicles [redacted] observed at the Stendal railroad station belong to the Third Shock Army and the IV Arty Corps. 25X1

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